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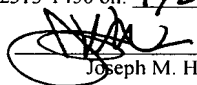
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant : George E. Berkey, et al.  
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WITH DEUTERIUM

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office action of October 23, 2006, please amend the above-identified as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.